

STILL MORE CONTRACTS MUST BE SIGNED

L. W. Lamson Compliments
Wichita Very Highly.

P. K. TYNG ARRIVES TODAY

Names of Some Who Have
Contracted for Gas.

The secretaries of the Chamber of Commerce and the Commercial club have put in a week of hard work, circulating contracts from the people of Wichita to secure gas for the city, and have been rewarded with good success. A great number of people have contracted to use gas, but there is still more needed in order to satisfy the gas company.

This company asks and requires that sufficient contracts be signed by the people of Wichita to insure them a sufficient income to recompense them for the capital required to install and maintain the gas system. They ask for no money in advance, but they do ask, which seems to be only a fair business proposition, that the people use gas in sufficient quantities to justify them in investing their money.

Mr. L. J. Lamson, a stockholder and director of the company, has arrived here. Mr. Lamson is anxious to see his praise of Wichita. He said last night: "I have never been in a city before where the people pull together as they do here. Take this gas proposition, for instance, why, every business man in Wichita is working for it, regardless of the nature of their business. Even the coal dealers are getting out and circulating contracts, admitting at the same time that the consequences will be detrimental to the interests of their trade. It is this spirit of working for the good of the city, without regard to private interests, which is building up Wichita at such a rapid rate."

Mr. Tyng arrives this morning from the east. He reports conditions very favorable for securing the necessary pipe to convey the gas from the fields to Wichita.

Among the leading business men of the city who have signed contracts to use gas are:

E. J. Spencer	B. D. Allen
M. A. McClellan	Gus Saur
Fred Bissant	Kos Harris
E. J. Ohmer	I. Gross
Rorabach Dry Goods Co.	M. Kralshofer
T. G. Fitch	Thornton W. Sargent
G. L. Pratt	J. N. Haymaker
D. C. Rounds	Coler M. Sim
J. D. Houston	Finlay Ross
D. M. Dale	C. L. Davidson
Elsherry Martin	S. B. Amidon
C. W. Brown	Ralph Millison
A. C. Dickson	Dean Gordon
Frank Wood	S. E. Wynn
J. C. Casey	Ed. Vall
C. W. Southward	C. H. Brooks
M. W. Levy	C. H. Smythe
J. W. Clendenin	G. M. Howe
A. E. Helm	T. N. Hookaday
A. M. Richards	L. A. Schwartz
C. W. Bennett	Dr. C. G. Pundue
F. B. Garcelon	T. W. Basham
W. S. Pierce	Chas. Tostard
M. Courtney	C. G. Vancardale
J. L. Dyer	G. W. Robinson
H. H. Dewey	H. L. Reising
A. J. Russell	Harry Deckum
W. E. Sternberg	Emmett & Hays
W. H. Kitchner	W. H. Culp
Chas. Daniels	D. D. Leahy

A MAGNIFICENT PARADE.

The Spectacular Street Display of Wallace's Show Always Pleases.

From the reports received about the great Wallace Show, it seems that the thousands of people who see its street display are well repaid for the effort. The street parade of a circus is the formal introduction of the show itself and Wallace's introduction is always welcomed, as his pageant is an unusually creditable one, in many respects superior to others.

In order that the cleanliness and brilliancy of the Wallace circus parade may be appreciated, the circus lover should, if possible, secure a good vantage point from which to view it when it passes over the principal streets of this city on the morning of Wednesday, May 18. From a good view point the spectator can see the parade as a whole, notice its harmonious arrangement of its numerous sections unite in the long chain of spectacular units. From the first appearance of the monster band wagon pulled by ten jet black horses, until the foot-trot of the new and modern colosseum a mile behind is heard, the sight is good for any one to look upon.

Ben Wallace always manages to have the finest horses on the road. He has a national reputation for doing so—but his good care of animals does not end with horses. A view of his magnificent parade finds his 18 Shetland ponies, each as fat as butter, and his numerous animals in the rear of dens which are open in the parade are in the same excellent condition. This favorable and healthy and bright condition of the animals causes most of them to be far more beautiful and attractive than animals usually are with a traveling show.

It is but natural to expect that a circus proprietor who is not too stingy to feed his stock and animals liberally even when all forage and feed is high priced will not be slow to spend money for his show's equipment. Mr. Wallace is not disappointed in this regard. He sees to it that there is nothing shoddy about his parade or show. His day harness, trappings and wardrobe, the costly, artistic and rich flash of his cages, dens, and chariots all testify to his eagerness to make his attraction the highest class in every respect.

The Wallace circus parade must be seen to be appreciated and it is only the astute observer that will see all there is of it in the way of the beautiful and artistic. This parade, which is highly recommended, will pass over the principal streets of Wichita on Wednesday, May 18.

Hotel Epworth, St. Louis.
Having just returned from St. Louis, and being entertained at Hotel Epworth, we heartily commend it to the public. Rates, \$1 per day up to June. Thereafter \$1.50. Certificates good from May to December 1. Write or see Agent E. C. Poland, 623 South Emporia, Wichita, Kan. Phone 1722.

Only One Method.

There is only one method known of procuring pure water; that is by proper distillation.

Guaranteed as good as Blue or Royal, at half the price. Made in Wichita.

The Store as One of the Sights to the Stranger This Week Will Prove Interesting

Wichita's Down-Town Home of Its People and Its Visitors

Geo. Innes & Co.

Among the thousands of out-of-town visitors to this store each year all have learned to know "that at-home feeling." The Geo. Innes Store in its readiness to receive the many this week will again bring forth something for each to remember. As a sight to the stranger its broad and heavily bordered aisles of merchandise, a pause in the magnificent Millinery Salon, a stroll through the great Ready-to-Wear and Wash Goods Annex, a swift, safe ascent to the upper floors and their departments, a glance at the busy private telephone exchange, and all with a look at the double wrapping station and the noiseless flight of a perfect cash system impress one that a store like the state's largest is backed by years of success and true elements of satisfaction.

No special one day sales will be in effect this week, but commencing Monday and "while they last" with something uncommonly good each day is our well prepared bulletin of values.

New Wash Girdles

Ladies will be smartly girdled this season. Here is wash productions made wide of mercerized figured cotton novelties and finished with bright brass buckles. There is two certain lines that were bought to sell for more but we include them in our offers this week as especially good values.

Choice 25c and..... **50c**

Wash Goods Room

An Attraction

A store within a store, almost a wash goods store exclusively—this room. Tables, counters and shelves hold these summery pearls of art. There's every color, weave and design. When would be a better time than now? See these tables with

prices, 12½c, 15c and..... **20c**

Beautiful line cotton coverts and poplinettes for outing skirts and suits worth

25c regular. Special..... **19c**

Mighty Values

And the Season
Has Hardly Started

250 Exquisite Parasol
Creations for Immediate Sale

"That is news." News of such an order at this time seems sensational, but it is truly so; a purchase of some months ago reserved for this special carnival selling, and there isn't a particular parasol want that the collection does not include. Parasols that belong to regular \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.50 and \$8.00 lines. Choice

this week's sale..... **\$270**

Persians, plaids, fancy striped and hemstitched borders, lace, embroidery and chiffon trimmed, mounted on fancy imported natural and enameled sticks. Thirty-six select ideas. North Window Main.

We unhesitatingly announce that this will be the season's best value and that late season reductions will not compare with such a low price. It is an opportunity of seldom occurrence. Come early. Sale starts tomorrow. Main room.



Valuable Veiling Chance

The reason that this veiling section is so largely visited is because almost every day brings out either something novel in style or special in value. Carnival week special is this—veiling by the yard in sewing silk, plain satin striped two inch border, three striped satin borders in all colors and black, tuxedor nets in plain and fancy meshes. The lot sells regularly for 35 and 50 cents. While

they last, special, yard..... **25c**

See them in Window Monday.

Moth Proof Bags

Air tight Tarine Moth Proof Bags for packing all heavy winter garments, blankets or furs; insure perfect odorless preservation. A supply in all sizes now ready. 25x36 in.,

40c; 30x60 in., 75c; 20x30 in..... **25c**

Sale Jewelry Novelties

Several grand collections of French and American Jewelry Novelties. They contain very effective designs and are quite the best we've offered for the price. Brooches, Scarf Pins, Hat Pins and Cuff Buttons bought for underprice, so we took them all. No special day, but while they last, commencing tomorrow. Articles worth from 12½c to 25c.

Choice..... **7c**

See Window.

Special Ribbons

We plainly state we have never seen their equal; they are just what are wanted day in and day out; ribbons with such a demand at a phenomenal price like this will not last long. Commencing tomorrow our ribbon store will sell 5½ and 6 inch Luxine taffetas in all shades at a remarkable price. Ribbons worth 50c and 60c a yard. Two hundred bolts for Carnival week attraction

Special yard..... **29c**

Center Vestibule Case.

Sale Fashionable Bags

Dollar Bags for 50 cents. It didn't take our buyer long to pick these up at the price. Such will be another high class offering for this week. They are of finest imitation walrus, made on new nickel frames with plaited leather handles, moire lined and with combination change purse. Your choice of black, brown, tan and grey; worth \$1.00 regular.

For..... **50c**

See Window.

White Waist Special

\$1.25

Among the many special values for the week the popular Waist Store places on sale a number of pretty waist creations. White India linen, fancy white mercerized oxfords and dotted lawns made with fine hemstitched tucks, embroidery and inserting; all have fancy stocks and cuffs. This season's prettiest conceptions for the price.

Choice..... **\$125**

South Window Annex.



Hat Styles for the Summer Season

Duck, lace and embroidery plays well the part. Tomorrow's showing will make it of much interest to visitors in the Millinery Salon.



Another silk of sudden popularity now in stock is 30 inch Korean, a light fluffy silk of a gauze effect, somewhat similar to Rajah, only lighter. Champagne only. Yard..... **85c**

We now have another full line of Champagne Rajahs; also more Tokios just in.

Men's Tailored Shirts

At \$2.50

The particular man who finds that he wants something better than a 50c, a \$1.00 or \$1.50 shirt will find in these all that \$2.50 can buy. The assortment just opened is of finest French Madras in patterns controlled exclusively by a fashionable New York shirt maker. These are the shirts made to wear with two piece suits and have top pocket, hemstitched handkerchief of same material which lends a very effective touch to the well dressed.

A dozen popular makes in suspenders and double

that many patterns to select from..... **25c**

Jap Handkerchiefs of silk with pictorial borders in colors; others with hand embroidered Japan stamps in the corners, the newest handkerchief fad

for men; 50c and..... **\$100**

We announce for this week our regular May reduction on all street hats. Considering the style and character of these fashionable creations it should be announced as a remarkable giving of values.

The last week here in which to make your hot selection for graduation offers splendid chances of choice. Time yet to select or order any special fancy you may want.

The New Straw Mattings

Over a hundred patterns of the cool, practical summer floor coverings are now on show. The substantial serviceable sorts from China mingle with the novel decorative sorts from Japan. Qualities better this year and colors clearer and brighter. Our China mattings are mostly hand palmed which brings the straw closer together and makes them firmer. Prices run 12c, 15c, 25c and up.

For Carnival Week's Display

COMBS, in rich shell; amber, white and clear colors; large assortment of styles; unmatched

values; 25c to..... **\$100**

Jewelry Section.

BELTS, in brilliant melon, gold bands, ooze, glazed and rare leathers, with jeweled, plain or embossed clasps; 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and..... **\$250**

RIBBONS—We have arranged for the last week before commencement our special showing of Sash Ribbons. Prices are very low.

WORLD'S FAIR PILLOWS—An elaborate picture, in colors of the opening; exclusive in our Art Department..... **50c**

MORE Dainty NECKWEAR has come forth. A beautiful thing in white, studded with ornaments, something very new. Center Glass Counter.

Suit Selling Again, Entirely to the Buyer's Gain

Extreme
North Window

A Sale Commences Tomorrow Which Involves Prices, With Dollars of Reduction

Our showing of these very popular and stylish garments in this sale is as complete as we could wish to tell about. Every new material and up-to-date style in both Misses and Ladies is here to be sold at the greatest degree of saving to buyers of suits. Prices are so far in your favor that they need but little argument to convince one of the possibilities of an early purchase.

\$35 and \$40 Values \$27.50 | \$25 and \$30 Values \$19.50 | \$18.50 Values for \$13.50 | \$12.50 Values for \$9.50

A collection of Eton and English coat styles in broad clothes, voils, mohairs and high class mixtures.

New Figured Mohair Skirts \$8.50

A collection of Eton styles with girdles and cape effect in chevrons and finest mixtures.

Plain Mohairs \$3.95

A collection of fashionable Eton suits in fine mohairs, voils and handsome manish Scotch suitings.

Granites \$6.00

A collection of Misses' Eton suits with stylish shoulder cape in mixtures and plain cloths, beautifully trimmed.

Light Scotch Mixtures \$4.95



New Dutch Bags

Latest Leather Novelty

Dutch Purses, with daintily painted scenes of Holland, very best finish; chain handles, 10c. Large size, with English hunting scene in colors, double leather handles, 50c. Taffeta Boon Bags, of chamois and blue, pink and lavender taffeta, for diamonds and other valuables; made with pin and leather fastener, 25c. Bead and Leather Coin Purses, metal tops, 50c. Auto Bags up to \$10. Elegant new line Peggies, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00.

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